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**TO**  
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**ON**  
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**FIGURE 1 – SITE LOCATION PLAN**

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## **1 INTRODUCTION**

This report presents the results of a desktop geotechnical assessment for a proposed mixed use development at 56-60 Burns Bay Road, Lane Cove. A site location plan is presented as Figure 1. The assessment was commissioned by Ms Karen Chow of A + Design Group on 16 March 2018 and was carried out in accordance with our fee proposal (Reference P46001L, dated 23 October 2017).

Based on the current architectural plans by A + Design Group we understand that the proposed development will include the following;

- Two residential tower blocks of up to 6 storeys high
- A market place below the residential towers at the adjoining Serra Street level.
- A mezzanine level, and then one level of basement car parking over the western side of the site and two levels of basement car parking over the eastern side of the site.
- Excavation for the lowest basement level will range from about 22m at the northern (Burns Bay Road) end of the site to about 9.7m at the southern (Serra Street) end of the site. We note that Serra Street is within the site boundaries and will be maintained at the Market place level with the basement car parking below.

The scope of this assessment was to complete a desktop study of previous geotechnical investigations completed by JK Geotechnics within the area of the Lane Cove site and other published information, together with a walkover assessment of the site itself and surrounds.

Based on the available information, we have provided our comments herein on the expected subsurface conditions and preliminary geotechnical recommendations for the proposed development.

## **2 ASSESSMENT PROCEDURE**

The assessment comprised the following;

- A search of the JK Geotechnics project data base to identify relevant geotechnical investigations completed near to the site.
- A review of aerial photography (Google Earth).
- A review of regional geological maps (Sydney)
- A site walkover by an experienced geotechnical engineer to inspect the topographic, surface drainage and geological conditions of the site and immediate environs.



### **3 REGIONAL GEOLOGY**

The Sydney 1:100,000 Geological Map indicates that the site is underlain by Ashfield Shale, which is of Triassic age. The Ashfield Shale has been identified underlying the Market Place Development approximately 100m to the east of the subject site. Weathering of the Ashfield Shales produces residual clays of medium to high plasticity which usually grade into weathered shale. The Hawkesbury Sandstone may be encountered at about RL60m, and therefore it may be encountered in the lower portions of the basement excavation.

### **4 SITE DESCRIPTION**

The site is located in the upper reaches of a south facing hillside which slopes down at an average gradient of about 10° to Serra Street to the south. The site is also located within a shallow gully. The site is roughly rectangular in shape, and is occupied by an existing Coles development and car parking areas. The current development comprises a multi storey concrete framed structure. The structure has at least one commercial level below the Burns Bay Road level. Serra Street forms part of the rear portion of the site and there is a concrete crib retaining wall on the high side of Serra Street, which is up to about 3.5m high, supporting the subject site to the north. Concrete access ramps from Burns Bay Road to Serra Street exist on either side of the existing building, with suspended concrete structure above.

To the east of the site is an adjoining two storey brick structure which abuts the subject site boundary. This building occupies the upper northern portion of the adjoining site and there is an asphaltic concrete pavement in the rear.

To the west of the site is a three storey brick building which also abuts the subject site boundary and has a partial basement level extending from the rear car parking area back toward Burns Bay Road.

### **5 COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **5.1 General Subsurface Conditions**

Based on our desktop study and the site walkover, the subsurface conditions are likely to comprise some fill, underlain by residual silty clay which grades into extremely weathered shale. The shale bedrock would most likely improve to medium strength, and possibly medium to high strength with depth. If the Hawkesbury Sandstone is encountered toward the limits of the basement excavation, then it is likely to be of at least medium strength.



The site seems to be located within a shallow gully and as such it is possible that there may be some depth of fill through the middle to south-western corner. The nature of any such fill is unknown.

The silty clays are likely to be of variable plasticity (medium to high). The strength of the clays have been found to vary between very stiff and hard. These clays are expected to be of a residual nature derived from the weathering of the Ashfield Shale. The liquid limit and linear shrinkage results indicate the silty clays are likely to have a moderate to high shrink/swell potential, with changes in moisture conditions.

Shale was encountered beneath the residual clays in the nearby boreholes. We expect weathered shale to be encountered on the site anywhere between 2.5m and 5.0m below existing surface levels along the Burns Bay Road (northern) boundary. Shale may be encountered at a shallower depth, below existing surface levels at the southern (lower) end of the site, although if an old gully has been filled then shales may be deeper. The shale is generally extremely weathered and of extremely low to low strength on initial contact, improving to low to medium strength with depth, and possibly medium to high strength. Sandstone bedrock encountered below the Ashfield Shale will likely be of at least medium strength.

Due to the location of the site being inferred to be within a localised gully, we expect groundwater seepage flows to be encountered. The nearby boreholes did not encounter groundwater upon completion of auger drilling up to 8.0m depth, however we expect groundwater to probably be above this level within the subject site. In general, the overall pattern is for groundwater levels to drop in elevation from north to south, and it would be prudent to expect groundwater seepage well within the depth of the bulk excavation.

The above general subsurface profile may be used for planning purposes and feasibility studies. However, once the nature of the proposed development works are known, site specific geotechnical investigations must be carried out to determine the subsurface conditions within specific areas of the site.

## **5.2 Geotechnical Issues**

Based on the expected subsurface profile the following geotechnical issues should be considered in the design and construction of the proposed development. These comments and



recommendations should be reviewed and amplified once demolition has been completed and site specific geotechnical investigations have been carried out.

Prior to demolition, dilapidation reports should be completed on the adjoining properties located to the east and west of the site. A copy of these reports should be provided to the respective property owners and they should be asked to confirm, in writing, that the reports present a fair record of existing conditions. The dilapidation reports may then be used as a benchmark against which to assess possible future claims for damage resulting from the works. In this manner the reports protect the builder from unfounded claims relating to damage existing prior to the commencement of work.

### **Protection of Adjoining Buildings**

There are a number of adjoining structures either abutting or in close proximity to the subject site boundaries. Currently, details of the footing systems supporting the adjoining buildings are not available. We recommend that details of adjoining building footing systems be sourced from the adjoining property owners. Alternatively, site investigations during the early stages of development (but prior to any shoring works or bulk excavation) should be carried out to assess adjoining footing systems. During shoring design, an assessment should be made by the structural engineers on the magnitude of any shoring wall movements (including the potential for any stress relief movements) and whether such movements will likely adversely affect the adjoining structures. Where considered necessary underpinning of adjoining footings may be required. We note that underpinning will not reduce the risk of stress relief movements.

During bulk excavation we recommend that shoring walls and adjoining building walls be survey monitored to check that movements are within acceptable and predicted limits. A specific site monitoring methodology would need to be developed once details of the shoring type and expected movements are determined.

### **Excavation**

- Construction of the basement car parking is anticipated to result in cuts to maximum depths of about 22m, at the northern end of the site.
- Excavation is expected to result in the removal of fill, clayey soils and shale bedrock with possibly some sandstone bedrock at depth. With depth it is expected that high strength rock could be encountered, although further investigation in the form of cored boreholes will be required to confirm the strength and quality of the bedrock. The information obtained from these cored boreholes could then be supplied to the excavation contractor to limit the risk of





additional costs associated with latent condition claims that the rock was stronger and more difficult to excavate than the information supplied to them suggested.

- Excavation of the clays and bedrock of up to very low strength can be undertaken using conventional earthmoving equipment such as medium to large sized excavators (say 20 tonnes) and buckets with “tiger teeth” attached. Shale bedrock of low strength or greater will require the adoption of “hard rock” excavation techniques.
- Hard rock excavation techniques comprise both percussive (i.e rock hammers) and non-percussive techniques such as rotary grinders, rock saws, ripping tynes etc.
- Where percussive excavation techniques are adopted caution must be taken to assess the risk of direct transmission of ground vibrations to adjoining movement sensitive buildings and structures.
- The dilapidation reports should be carefully reviewed by the excavation contractor and an excavation work method procedure developed to suit the sensitivity of the adjoining structures to transmitted vibrations. Where percussive excavation methods (i.e. rock hammers) are proposed, consideration will need to be given to the size of the hammer and the risk posed to surrounding structures where present.
- Full-time quantitative vibration monitoring will need to be completed during excavation to provide guidance to the excavation contractor on the suitability of the equipment they have chosen to adopt.
- Alternatively, non-percussive excavation methods may be adopted. These methods may consist of the use of rock saws, rotary grinders, rock splitting or ripping tynes.

### **Groundwater**

- We expect groundwater seepage flows will occur at the soil-rock interface and possibly also higher up within the soil profile. Seepage through the rock materials typically occurs through joints and bedding planes, particularly after periods of heavy rain. Seepage is expected to be satisfactorily controlled by a sump and pump system however during rainfall periods seepage flows could be moderately high as a result of the shallow gully feature. Groundwater is expected to be well above the bulk excavation level.
- During site specific geotechnical subsurface investigations, installation of groundwater piezometers is recommended to assess the groundwater level. Pump out testing may also be necessary to assess insitu permeability for basement drainage design.

### **Retention**

- As the proposed basement excavation will be up to the boundaries of the site there is inadequate space for the formation of temporary batters.





- Prior to the commencement of excavation, a permanent retention system will need to be installed. At this stage we recommend allowance be made for shoring to extend to below the proposed bulk excavation level.
- Due to the clayey nature of the soils and proposed depth of excavation we anticipate that an anchored soldier pile wall with shotcrete infill panels will be suited for the most part, although anchored contiguous piled walls may be required where adjoining buildings abut or are in close proximity to the subject site boundaries. It is anticipated that bored piers can be adopted on this site although some allowance should be made for localised instability of surficial fill and groundwater seepage.
- Permission from neighbours will be required prior to installing anchors below their property. This can often take some time to organise and therefore we suggest that approval procedures be commenced at an early stage.
- For the design of anchored walls we recommend that a rectangular earth pressure distribution be adopted for that part of the excavation that requires support (i.e. the soils and bedrock of up to and including low strength). Allowance in the design must also be made for the possible presence of large continuous defects, and as such shoring wall designs should also be checked for a sliding wedge of soil and rock which extends from bulk excavation level up at 45°. If the shoring wall is not designed for such defects, very detailed staging of the excavation and geotechnical inspections would be required, and there is a risk that substantial stabilisation may be required during the works which may create construction delays.
- With movement sensitive structures being present along the existing boundaries and these structures being located within the zone of influence of the excavation (defined as a distance  $2H$  extending horizontally out from the crest of the excavation where  $H$  is the height of retained materials) a pressure of  $8H$  kPa should be adopted to help limit behind-wall deflections.
- Excavations are deep enough that there is the potential for some stress relief movement within the better quality bedrock. Stress relief movements can be in the order of 1mm/m depth of excavation. These potential movements need to be considered when assessing the potential risk of damage to adjoining structures.
- Excavations will need to be inspected by the geotechnical engineers at not greater than 1.5m depth intervals to check that soil and rock conditions are as expected and to nominate any additional support as and when required.
- Where adverse defects are present within any internal cut faces, remedial measures such as rock bolts, shotcrete and mesh will be required to provide support to the excavated bedrock. To this end we recommend that a geotechnical engineer inspect the cut faces every 1.5m of vertical cut so that any adverse defects present may be identified and remedial measures adopted. Where remedial measures are required and temporary bolts installed, long term



support of the identified adverse defects in the cut faces will need to be provided by the building.

### **Footings**

- Allowable bearing pressures in the order of 3,500kPa would be appropriate for pad/strip footings, bored piers and grout injected auger piles founded in the distinctly to slightly weathered shale or sandstone bedrock of medium to high strength, which we anticipate will likely be found at and below bulk excavation level. Deep cored boreholes will be required to determine the exact depth where these bearing pressures would be appropriate.
- All pad or strip footings on shale should be poured with minimal delay or the base of the footings should be protected by a concrete blinding layer after cleaning of loose spoil and inspection by a geotechnical engineer.

### **Basement Slabs**

- Where basement floor slabs are poured directly over bedrock no particular subgrade preparation is required although they should be provided with underfloor drainage and a granular sub-base layer of DGB20 type material to act as a separation/debonding layer.
- The underfloor drainage should comprise a strong, durable, single sized washed aggregate, such as 'blue metal' gravel. The underfloor drainage should collect groundwater seepage and direct it to the stormwater system.
- During site specific geotechnical investigations, an assessment of the likely seepage volumes in to the bulk excavation will need to be made. Where seepage volumes are in excess of that allowed by Water NSW then the basement may need to be designed as a tanked structure to resist hydrostatic uplift pressures.

### **5.3 Further Geotechnical Input**

As detailed above, we believe that the following further geotechnical work will be required after specific details of the proposed development are available:

- Prior to the commencement of excavation a subsurface investigation of the site should be undertaken to confirm the anticipated subsurface conditions. This investigation should include deep cored boreholes to confirm rock strengths and excavation conditions, and adjacent footing details by means of test pits.
- Preparation of dilapidation reports on the adjoining buildings prior to the commencement of construction.



- Preparation of an excavation work methodology.
- Completion of continuous vibration monitoring where percussive excavation techniques are adopted.
- Seepage analysis to assess the likely seepage volumes and the suitability of permanent basement drainage or the need for a tanked basement.
- Inspection of all vertical cuts through shale bedrock to allow any adverse defects to be identified and where required remedial measures initiated.
- Inspection of all footing excavations by a geotechnical engineer to confirm that the design bearing pressures have been achieved.
- An accurate survey monitoring program shall be instigated prior to any excavation work to determine whether the adjacent buildings experience potentially damaging deflections.

## **6 GENERAL COMMENTS**

The recommendations presented in this report include specific issues to be addressed during the construction phase of the project. In the event that any of the construction phase recommendations presented in this report are not implemented, the general recommendations may become inapplicable and JK Geotechnics accept no responsibility whatsoever for the performance of the structure or effects on nearby properties where recommendations are not implemented in full and properly tested, inspected and documented.

Occasionally, the subsurface conditions may be found to be different (or may be interpreted to be different) from those expected. Variation can also occur with groundwater conditions, especially after climatic changes. If such differences appear to exist, we recommend that you immediately contact this office.

This report provides preliminary advice on geotechnical aspects for the proposed civil and structural design. As part of the documentation stage of this project, Contract Documents and Specifications may be prepared based on our report. However, there may be design features we are not aware of or have not commented on for a variety of reasons. The designers should satisfy themselves that all the necessary advice has been obtained. If required, we could be commissioned to review the geotechnical aspects of contract documents to confirm the intent of our recommendations has been correctly implemented.

A waste classification will need to be assigned to any soil excavated from the site prior to offsite disposal. Subject to the appropriate testing, material can be classified as Virgin Excavated Natural





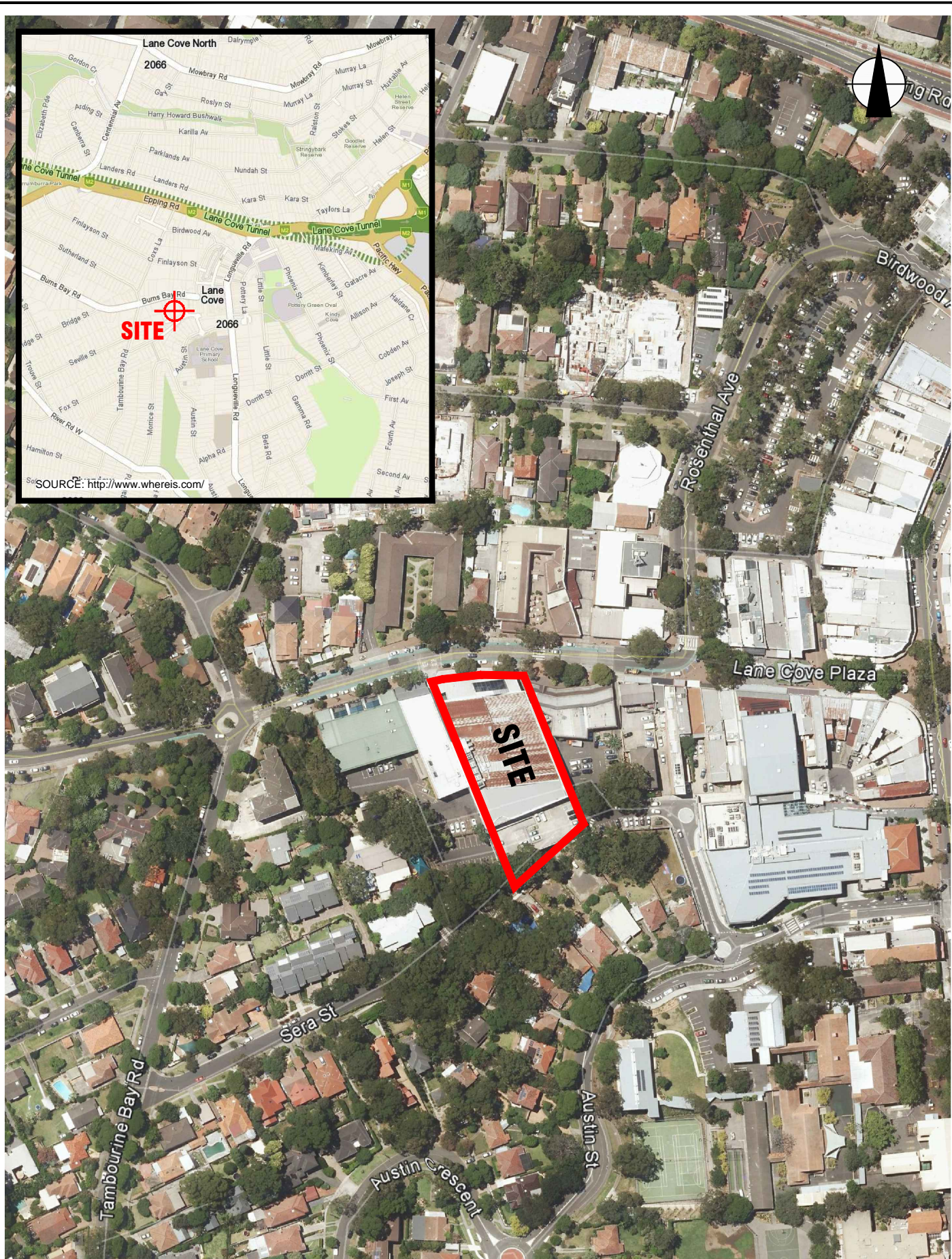
Material (VENM), General Solid, Restricted Solid or Hazardous Waste. Analysis takes seven to 10 working days to complete, therefore, an adequate allowance should be included in the construction program unless testing is completed prior to construction. If contamination is encountered, then substantial further testing (and associated delays) should be expected. We strongly recommend that this issue is addressed prior to the commencement of excavation on site.

If there is any change in the proposed development described in this report then all recommendations should be reviewed.

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## SITE LOCATION PLAN

Location:

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This plan should be read in conjunction with the JK Geotechnics report.

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## REPORT EXPLANATION NOTES

### INTRODUCTION

These notes have been provided to amplify the geotechnical report in regard to classification methods, field procedures and certain matters relating to the Comments and Recommendations section. Not all notes are necessarily relevant to all reports.

The ground is a product of continuing natural and man-made processes and therefore exhibits a variety of characteristics and properties which vary from place to place and can change with time. Geotechnical engineering involves gathering and assimilating limited facts about these characteristics and properties in order to understand or predict the behaviour of the ground on a particular site under certain conditions. This report may contain such facts obtained by inspection, excavation, probing, sampling, testing or other means of investigation. If so, they are directly relevant only to the ground at the place where and time when the investigation was carried out.

### DESCRIPTION AND CLASSIFICATION METHODS

The methods of description and classification of soils and rocks used in this report are based on Australian Standard 1726:2017 'Geotechnical Site Investigations'. In general, descriptions cover the following properties – soil or rock type, colour, structure, strength or density, and inclusions. Identification and classification of soil and rock involves judgement and the Company infers accuracy only to the extent that is common in current geotechnical practice.

Soil types are described according to the predominating particle size and behaviour as set out in the attached soil classification table qualified by the grading of other particles present (eg. sandy clay) as set out below:

Soil Classification	Particle Size
Clay	< 0.002mm
Silt	0.002 to 0.075mm
Sand	0.075 to 2.36mm
Gravel	2.36 to 63mm
Cobbles	63 to 200mm
Boulders	> 200mm

Non-cohesive soils are classified on the basis of relative density, generally from the results of Standard Penetration Test (SPT) as below:

Relative Density	SPT 'N' Value (blows/300mm)
Very loose (VL)	< 4
Loose (L)	4 to 10
Medium dense (MD)	10 to 30
Dense (D)	30 to 50
Very Dense (VD)	> 50

Cohesive soils are classified on the basis of strength (consistency) either by use of a hand penetrometer, vane shear, laboratory testing and/or tactile engineering examination. The strength terms are defined as follows.

Classification	Unconfined Compressive Strength (kPa)	Indicative Undrained Shear Strength (kPa)
Very Soft (VS)	≤ 25	≤ 12
Soft (S)	> 25 and ≤ 50	> 12 and ≤ 25
Firm (F)	> 50 and ≤ 100	> 25 and ≤ 50
Stiff (St)	> 100 and ≤ 200	> 50 and ≤ 100
Very Stiff (VSt)	> 200 and ≤ 400	> 100 and ≤ 200
Hard (Hd)	> 400	> 200
Friable (Fr)	Strength not attainable – soil crumbles	

Rock types are classified by their geological names, together with descriptive terms regarding weathering, strength, defects, etc. Where relevant, further information regarding rock classification is given in the text of the report. In the Sydney Basin, 'shale' is used to describe fissile mudstone, with a weakness parallel to bedding. Rocks with alternating inter-laminations of different grain size (eg. siltstone/claystone and siltstone/fine grained sandstone) is referred to as 'laminite'.

### SAMPLING

Sampling is carried out during drilling or from other excavations to allow engineering examination (and laboratory testing where required) of the soil or rock.

Disturbed samples taken during drilling provide information on plasticity, grain size, colour, moisture content, minor constituents and, depending upon the degree of disturbance, some information on strength and structure. Bulk samples are similar but of greater volume required for some test procedures.

Undisturbed samples are taken by pushing a thin-walled sample tube, usually 50mm diameter (known as a U50), into the soil and withdrawing it with a sample of the soil contained in a relatively undisturbed state. Such samples yield information on structure and strength, and are necessary for laboratory determination of shrink-swell behaviour, strength and compressibility. Undisturbed sampling is generally effective only in cohesive soils.

Details of the type and method of sampling used are given on the attached logs.





## INVESTIGATION METHODS

The following is a brief summary of investigation methods currently adopted by the Company and some comments on their use and application. All methods except test pits, hand auger drilling and portable Dynamic Cone Penetrometers require the use of a mechanical rig which is commonly mounted on a truck chassis or track base.

**Test Pits:** These are normally excavated with a backhoe or a tracked excavator, allowing close examination of the insitu soils and 'weaker' bedrock if it is safe to descend into the pit. The depth of penetration is limited to about 3m for a backhoe and up to 6m for a large excavator. Limitations of test pits are the problems associated with disturbance and difficulty of reinstatement and the consequent effects on close-by structures. Care must be taken if construction is to be carried out near test pit locations to either properly recompact the backfill during construction or to design and construct the structure so as not to be adversely affected by poorly compacted backfill at the test pit location.

**Hand Auger Drilling:** A borehole of 50mm to 100mm diameter is advanced by manually operated equipment. Refusal of the hand auger can occur on a variety of materials such as obstructions within any fill, tree roots, hard clay, gravel or ironstone, cobbles and boulders, and does not necessarily indicate rock level.

**Continuous Spiral Flight Augers:** The borehole is advanced using 75mm to 115mm diameter continuous spiral flight augers, which are withdrawn at intervals to allow sampling and insitu testing. This is a relatively economical means of drilling in clays and in sands above the water table. Samples are returned to the surface by the flights or may be collected after withdrawal of the auger flights, but they can be very disturbed and layers may become mixed. Information from the auger sampling (as distinct from specific sampling by SPTs or undisturbed samples) is of limited reliability due to mixing or softening of samples by groundwater, or uncertainties as to the original depth of the samples. Augering below the groundwater table is of even lesser reliability than augering above the water table.

**Rock Augering:** Use can be made of a Tungsten Carbide (TC) bit for auger drilling into rock to indicate rock quality and continuity by variation in drilling resistance and from examination of recovered rock cuttings. This method of investigation is quick and relatively inexpensive but provides only an indication of the likely rock strength and predicted values may be in error by a strength order. Where rock strengths may have a significant impact on construction feasibility or costs, then further investigation by means of cored boreholes may be warranted.

**Wash Boring:** The borehole is usually advanced by a rotary bit, with water being pumped down the drill rods and returned up the annulus, carrying the drill cuttings. Only major changes in stratification can be assessed from the cuttings, together with some information from "feel" and rate of penetration.

**Mud Stabilised Drilling:** Either Wash Boring or Continuous Core Drilling can use drilling mud as a circulating fluid to stabilise the borehole. The term 'mud' encompasses a range of products ranging from bentonite to polymers. The mud tends to mask the cuttings and reliable identification is only possible from intermittent intact sampling (eg. from SPT and U50 samples) or from rock coring, etc.

**Continuous Core Drilling:** A continuous core sample is obtained using a diamond tipped core barrel. Provided full core recovery is achieved (which is not always possible in very low strength rocks and granular soils), this technique provides a very reliable (but relatively expensive) method of investigation. In rocks, NMLC or HQ triple tube core barrels, which give a core of about 50mm and 61mm diameter, respectively, is usually used with water flush. The length of core recovered is compared to the length drilled and any length not recovered is shown as NO CORE. The location of NO CORE recovery is determined on site by the supervising engineer; where the location is uncertain, the loss is placed at the bottom of the drill run.

**Standard Penetration Tests:** Standard Penetration Tests (SPT) are used mainly in non-cohesive soils, but can also be used in cohesive soils, as a means of indicating density or strength and also of obtaining a relatively undisturbed sample. The test procedure is described in Australian Standard 1289.6.3.1-2004 (R2016) *'Methods of Testing Soils for Engineering Purposes, Soil Strength and Consolidation Tests – Determination of the Penetration Resistance of a Soil – Standard Penetration Test (SPT)'*.

The test is carried out in a borehole by driving a 50mm diameter split sample tube with a tapered shoe, under the impact of a 63.5kg hammer with a free fall of 760mm. It is normal for the tube to be driven in three successive 150mm increments and the 'N' value is taken as the number of blows for the last 300mm. In dense sands, very hard clays or weak rock, the full 450mm penetration may not be practicable and the test is discontinued.

The test results are reported in the following form:

- In the case where full penetration is obtained with successive blow counts for each 150mm of, say, 4, 6 and 7 blows, as

$$N = 13 \\ 4, 6, 7$$

- In a case where the test is discontinued short of full penetration, say after 15 blows for the first 150mm and 30 blows for the next 40mm, as

$$N > 30 \\ 15, 30/40\text{mm}$$

The results of the test can be related empirically to the engineering properties of the soil.

A modification to the SPT is where the same driving system is used with a solid 60° tipped steel cone of the same diameter as the SPT hollow sampler. The solid cone can be continuously driven for some distance in soft clays or loose sands, or may be used where damage would otherwise occur to the SPT. The results of this Solid Cone Penetration Test (SCPT) are shown as 'N<sub>c</sub>' on the borehole logs, together with the number of blows per 150mm penetration.



### Cone Penetrometer Testing (CPT) and Interpretation:

The cone penetrometer is sometimes referred to as a Dutch Cone. The test is described in Australian Standard 1289.6.5.1–1999 (R2013) *'Methods of Testing Soils for Engineering Purposes, Soil Strength and Consolidation Tests – Determination of the Static Cone Penetration Resistance of a Soil – Field Test using a Mechanical and Electrical Cone or Friction-Cone Penetrometer'*.

In the tests, a 35mm or 44mm diameter rod with a conical tip is pushed continuously into the soil, the reaction being provided by a specially designed truck or rig which is fitted with a hydraulic ram system. Measurements are made of the end bearing resistance on the cone and the frictional resistance on a separate 134mm or 165mm long sleeve, immediately behind the cone. Transducers in the tip of the assembly are electrically connected by wires passing through the centre of the push rods to an amplifier and recorder unit mounted on the control truck. The CPT does not provide soil sample recovery.

As penetration occurs (at a rate of approximately 20mm per second), the information is output as incremental digital records every 10mm. The results given in this report have been plotted from the digital data.

The information provided on the charts comprise:

- Cone resistance – the actual end bearing force divided by the cross sectional area of the cone – expressed in MPa. There are two scales presented for the cone resistance. The lower scale has a range of 0 to 5MPa and the main scale has a range of 0 to 50MPa. For cone resistance values less than 5MPa, the plot will appear on both scales.
- Sleeve friction – the frictional force on the sleeve divided by the surface area – expressed in kPa.
- Friction ratio – the ratio of sleeve friction to cone resistance, expressed as a percentage.

The ratios of the sleeve resistance to cone resistance will vary with the type of soil encountered, with higher relative friction in clays than in sands. Friction ratios of 1% to 2% are commonly encountered in sands and occasionally very soft clays, rising to 4% to 10% in stiff clays and peats. Soil descriptions based on cone resistance and friction ratios are only inferred and must not be considered as exact.

Correlations between CPT and SPT values can be developed for both sands and clays but may be site specific.

Interpretation of CPT values can be made to empirically derive modulus or compressibility values to allow calculation of foundation settlements.

Stratification can be inferred from the cone and friction traces and from experience and information from nearby boreholes etc. Where shown, this information is presented for general guidance, but must be regarded as interpretive. The test method provides a continuous profile of engineering properties but, where precise information on soil classification is required, direct drilling and sampling may be preferable.

There are limitations when using the CPT in that it may not penetrate obstructions within any fill, thick layers of hard clay and very dense sand, gravel and weathered bedrock. Normally a 'dummy' cone is pushed through fill to protect the equipment. No information is recorded by the 'dummy' probe.

**Flat Dilatometer Test:** The flat dilatometer (DMT), also known as the Marchetti Dilometer comprises a stainless steel blade having a flat, circular steel membrane mounted flush on one side.

The blade is connected to a control unit at ground surface by a pneumatic-electrical tube running through the insertion rods. A gas tank, connected to the control unit by a pneumatic cable, supplies the gas pressure required to expand the membrane. The control unit is equipped with a pressure regulator, pressure gauges, an audio-visual signal and vent valves.

The blade is advanced into the ground using our CPT rig or one of our drilling rigs, and can be driven into the ground using an SPT hammer. As soon as the blade is in place, the membrane is inflated, and the pressure required to lift the membrane (approximately 0.1mm) is recorded. The pressure then required to lift the centre of the membrane by an additional 1mm is recorded. The membrane is then deflated before pushing to the next depth increment, usually 200mm down. The pressure readings are corrected for membrane stiffness.

The DMT is used to measure material index ( $I_b$ ), horizontal stress index ( $K_b$ ), and dilatometer modulus ( $E_b$ ). Using established correlations, the DMT results can also be used to assess the 'at rest' earth pressure coefficient ( $K_0$ ), over-consolidation ratio (OCR), undrained shear strength ( $C_u$ ), friction angle ( $\phi$ ), coefficient of consolidation ( $C_h$ ), coefficient of permeability ( $K_h$ ), unit weight ( $\gamma$ ), and vertical drained constrained modulus ( $M$ ).

The seismic dilatometer (SDMT) is the combination of the DMT with an add-on seismic module for the measurement of shear wave velocity ( $V_s$ ). Using established correlations, the SDMT results can also be used to assess the small strain modulus ( $G_0$ ).

**Portable Dynamic Cone Penetrometers:** Portable Dynamic Cone Penetrometer (DCP) tests are carried out by driving a 16mm diameter rod with a 20mm diameter cone end with a 9kg hammer dropping 510mm. The test is described in Australian Standard 1289.6.3.2–1997 (R2013) *'Methods of Testing Soils for Engineering Purposes, Soil Strength and Consolidation Tests – Determination of the Penetration Resistance of a Soil – 9kg Dynamic Cone Penetrometer Test'*.

The results are used to assess the relative compaction of fill, the relative density of granular soils, and the strength of cohesive soils. Using established correlations, the DCP test results can also be used to assess California Bearing Ratio (CBR).

Refusal of the DCP can occur on a variety of materials such as obstructions within any fill, tree roots, hard clay, gravel or ironstone, cobbles and boulders, and does not necessarily indicate rock level.



**Vane Shear Test:** The vane shear test is used to measure the undrained shear strength ( $C_u$ ) of typically very soft to firm fine grained cohesive soils. The vane shear is normally performed in the bottom of a borehole, but can be completed from surface level, the bottom and sides of test pits, and on recovered undisturbed tube samples (when using a hand vane).

The vane comprises four rectangular blades arranged in the form of a cross on the end of a thin rod, which is coupled to the bottom of a drill rod string when used in a borehole. The size of the vane is dependent on the strength of the fine grained cohesive soils; that is, larger vanes are normally used for very low strength soils. For borehole testing, the size of the vane can be limited by the size of the casing that is used.

For testing inside a borehole, a device is used at the top of the casing, which suspends the vane and rods so that they do not sink under self-weight into the 'soft' soils beyond the depth at which the test is to be carried out. A calibrated torque head is used to rotate the rods and vane and to measure the resistance of the vane to rotation.

With the vane in position, torque is applied to cause rotation of the vane at a constant rate. A rate of  $6^\circ$  per minute is the common rotation rate. Rotation is continued until the soil is sheared and the maximum torque has been recorded. This value is then used to calculate the undrained shear strength. The vane is then rotated rapidly a number of times and the operation repeated until a constant torque reading is obtained. This torque value is used to calculate the remoulded shear strength. Where appropriate, friction on the vane rods is measured and taken into account in the shear strength calculation.

## LOGS

The borehole or test pit logs presented herein are an engineering and/or geological interpretation of the subsurface conditions, and their reliability will depend to some extent on the frequency of sampling and the method of drilling or excavation. Ideally, continuous undisturbed sampling or core drilling will enable the most reliable assessment, but is not always practicable or possible to justify on economic grounds. In any case, the boreholes or test pits represent only a very small sample of the total subsurface conditions.

The terms and symbols used in preparation of the logs are defined in the following pages.

Interpretation of the information shown on the logs, and its application to design and construction, should therefore take into account the spacing of boreholes or test pits, the method of drilling or excavation, the frequency of sampling and testing and the possibility of other than 'straight line' variations between the boreholes or test pits. Subsurface conditions between boreholes or test pits may vary significantly from conditions encountered at the borehole or test pit locations.

## GROUNDWATER

Where groundwater levels are measured in boreholes, there are several potential problems:

- Although groundwater may be present, in low permeability soils it may enter the hole slowly or perhaps not at all during the time it is left open.
- A localised perched water table may lead to an erroneous indication of the true water table.
- Water table levels will vary from time to time with seasons or recent weather changes and may not be the same at the time of construction.
- The use of water or mud as a drilling fluid will mask any groundwater inflow. Water has to be blown out of the hole and drilling mud must be washed out of the hole or 'reverted' chemically if reliable water observations are to be made.

More reliable measurements can be made by installing standpipes which are read after the groundwater level has stabilised at intervals ranging from several days to perhaps weeks for low permeability soils. Piezometers, sealed in a particular stratum, may be advisable in low permeability soils or where there may be interference from perched water tables or surface water.

## FILL

The presence of fill materials can often be determined only by the inclusion of foreign objects (eg. bricks, steel, etc) or by distinctly unusual colour, texture or fabric. Identification of the extent of fill materials will also depend on investigation methods and frequency. Where natural soils similar to those at the site are used for fill, it may be difficult with limited testing and sampling to reliably assess the extent of the fill.

The presence of fill materials is usually regarded with caution as the possible variation in density, strength and material type is much greater than with natural soil deposits. Consequently, there is an increased risk of adverse engineering characteristics or behaviour. If the volume and quality of fill is of importance to a project, then frequent test pit excavations are preferable to boreholes.

## LABORATORY TESTING

Laboratory testing is normally carried out in accordance with Australian Standard 1289 '*Methods of Testing Soils for Engineering Purposes*' or appropriate NSW Government Roads & Maritime Services (RMS) test methods. Details of the test procedure used are given on the individual report forms.

## ENGINEERING REPORTS

Engineering reports are prepared by qualified personnel and are based on the information obtained and on current engineering standards of interpretation and analysis. Where the report has been prepared for a specific design proposal (eg. a three storey building) the information and interpretation may not be relevant if the design proposal is changed (eg. to a twenty storey building). If this happens, the Company will be pleased to review the report and the sufficiency of the investigation work.





Reasonable care is taken with the report as it relates to interpretation of subsurface conditions, discussion of geotechnical aspects and recommendations or suggestions for design and construction. However, the Company cannot always anticipate or assume responsibility for:

- Unexpected variations in ground conditions – the potential for this will be partially dependent on borehole spacing and sampling frequency as well as investigation technique.
- Changes in policy or interpretation of policy by statutory authorities.
- The actions of persons or contractors responding to commercial pressures.
- Details of the development that the Company could not reasonably be expected to anticipate.

If these occur, the Company will be pleased to assist with investigation or advice to resolve any problems occurring.

#### **SITE ANOMALIES**

In the event that conditions encountered on site during construction appear to vary from those which were expected from the information contained in the report, the Company requests that it immediately be notified. Most problems are much more readily resolved when conditions are exposed rather than at some later stage, well after the event.

#### **REPRODUCTION OF INFORMATION FOR CONTRACTUAL PURPOSES**

Where information obtained from this investigation is provided for tendering purposes, it is recommended that all information, including the written report and discussion, be made available. In circumstances where the discussion or comments section is not relevant to the contractual situation, it may be appropriate to prepare a specially edited document. The Company would

be pleased to assist in this regard and/or to make additional report copies available for contract purposes at a nominal charge.

Copyright in all documents (such as drawings, borehole or test pit logs, reports and specifications) provided by the Company shall remain the property of Jeffery and Katauskas Pty Ltd. Subject to the payment of all fees due, the Client alone shall have a licence to use the documents provided for the sole purpose of completing the project to which they relate. Licence to use the documents may be revoked without notice if the Client is in breach of any obligation to make a payment to us.

#### **REVIEW OF DESIGN**

Where major civil or structural developments are proposed or where only a limited investigation has been completed or where the geotechnical conditions/constraints are quite complex, it is prudent to have a joint design review which involves an experienced geotechnical engineer/engineering geologist.

#### **SITE INSPECTION**

The Company will always be pleased to provide engineering inspection services for geotechnical aspects of work to which this report is related.

Requirements could range from:

- i) a site visit to confirm that conditions exposed are no worse than those interpreted, to
- ii) a visit to assist the contractor or other site personnel in identifying various soil/rock types and appropriate footing or pile founding depths, or
- iii) full time engineering presence on site.

















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


### SOIL

	FILL
	TOPSOIL
	CLAY (CL, CI, CH)
	SILT (ML, MH)
	SAND (SP, SW)
	GRAVEL (GP, GW)
	SANDY CLAY (CL, CI, CH)
	SILTY CLAY (CL, CI, CH)
	CLAYEY SAND (SC)
	SILTY SAND (SM)
	GRAVELLY CLAY (CL, CI, CH)
	CLAYEY GRAVEL (GC)
	SANDY SILT (ML, MH)
	PEAT AND HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS (Pt)

### ROCK

	CONGLOMERATE
	SANDSTONE
	SHALE/MUDSTONE
	SILTSTONE
	CLAYSTONE
	COAL
	LAMINITE
	LIMESTONE
	PHYLLITE, SCHIST
	TUFF
	GRANITE, GABBRO
	DOLERITE, DIORITE
	BASALT, ANDESITE
	QUARTZITE

### OTHER MATERIALS

	BRICKS OR PAVERS
	CONCRETE
	ASPHALTIC CONCRETE

## CLASSIFICATION OF COARSE AND FINE GRAINED SOILS

Major Divisions		Group Symbol	Typical Names	Field Classification of Sand and Gravel	Laboratory Classification	
Coarse grained soil (more than 65% of soil excluding oversize fraction is greater than 0.075mm)	GRAVEL (more than half of coarse fraction is larger than 2.36mm)	GW	Gravel and gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines	Wide range in grain size and substantial amounts of all intermediate sizes, not enough fines to bind coarse grains, no dry strength	≤ 5% fines	$C_u > 4$ $1 < C_c < 3$
		GP	Gravel and gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines, uniform gravels	Predominantly one size or range of sizes with some intermediate sizes missing, not enough fines to bind coarse grains, no dry strength	≤ 5% fines	Fails to comply with above
		GM	Gravel-silt mixtures and gravel-sand-silt mixtures	'Dirty' materials with excess of non-plastic fines, zero to medium dry strength	≥ 12% fines, fines are silty	Fines behave as silt
		GC	Gravel-clay mixtures and gravel-sand-clay mixtures	'Dirty' materials with excess of plastic fines, medium to high dry strength	≥ 12% fines, fines are clayey	Fines behave as clay
	SAND (more than half of coarse fraction is smaller than 2.36mm)	SW	Sand and gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines	Wide range in grain size and substantial amounts of all intermediate sizes, not enough fines to bind coarse grains, no dry strength	≤ 5% fines	$C_u > 6$ $1 < C_c < 3$
		SP	Sand and gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines	Predominantly one size or range of sizes with some intermediate sizes missing, not enough fines to bind coarse grains, no dry strength	≤ 5% fines	Fails to comply with above
		SM	Sand-silt mixtures	'Dirty' materials with excess of non-plastic fines, zero to medium dry strength	≥ 12% fines, fines are silty	N/A
		SC	Sand-clay mixtures	'Dirty' materials with excess of plastic fines, medium to high dry strength	≥ 12% fines, fines are clayey	

### Laboratory Classification Criteria

A well graded coarse grained soil is one for which the coefficient of uniformity  $C_u > 4$  and the coefficient of curvature  $1 < C_c < 3$ . Otherwise, the soil is poorly graded. These coefficients are given by:

$$C_u = \frac{D_{60}}{D_{10}} \quad \text{and} \quad C_c = \frac{(D_{30})^2}{D_{10} D_{60}}$$

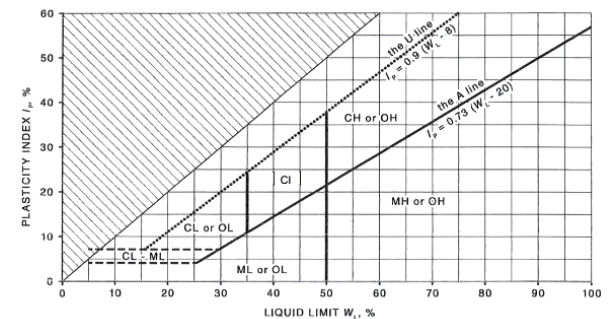
Where  $D_{10}$ ,  $D_{30}$  and  $D_{60}$  are those grain sizes for which 10%, 30% and 60% of the soil grains, respectively, are smaller.

### NOTES:

- For a coarse grained soil with a fines content between 5% and 12%, the soil is given a dual classification comprising the two group symbols separated by a dash; for example, for a poorly graded gravel with between 5% and 12% silt fines, the classification is GP-GM.
- Where the grading is determined from laboratory tests, it is defined by coefficients of curvature ( $C_c$ ) and uniformity ( $C_u$ ) derived from the particle size distribution curve.
- Clay soils with liquid limits  $> 35\%$  and  $\leq 50\%$  may be classified as being of medium plasticity.
- The U line on the Modified Casagrande Chart is an approximate upper bound for most natural soils.

Major Divisions		Group Symbol	Typical Names	Field Classification of Silt and Clay			Laboratory Classification
				Dry Strength	Dilatancy	Toughness	
Fine grained soils (more than 35% of soil excluding oversize fraction is less than 0.075mm)	SILT and CLAY (low to medium plasticity)	ML	Inorganic silt and very fine sand, rock flour, silty or clayey fine sand or silt with low plasticity	None to low	Slow to rapid	Low	Below A line
		CL, CI	Inorganic clay of low to medium plasticity, gravelly clay, sandy clay	Medium to high	None to slow	Medium	Above A line
		OL	Organic silt	Low to medium	Slow	Low	Below A line
	SILT and CLAY (high plasticity)	MH	Inorganic silt	Low to medium	None to slow	Low to medium	Below A line
		CH	Inorganic clay of high plasticity	High to very high	None	High	Above A line
		OH	Organic clay of medium to high plasticity, organic silt	Medium to high	None to very slow	Low to medium	Below A line
	Highly organic soil	Pt	Peat, highly organic soil	—	—	—	—



Modified Casagrande Chart for Classifying Silts and Clays according to their Behaviour







## LOG SYMBOLS

Log Column	Symbol	Definition		
Groundwater Record		Standing water level. Time delay following completion of drilling/excavation may be shown.		
		Extent of borehole/test pit collapse shortly after drilling/excavation.		
		Groundwater seepage into borehole or test pit noted during drilling or excavation.		
Samples	ES	Sample taken over depth indicated, for environmental analysis.		
	U50	Undisturbed 50mm diameter tube sample taken over depth indicated.		
	DB	Bulk disturbed sample taken over depth indicated.		
	DS	Small disturbed bag sample taken over depth indicated.		
	ASB	Soil sample taken over depth indicated, for asbestos analysis.		
	ASS	Soil sample taken over depth indicated, for acid sulfate soil analysis.		
	SAL	Soil sample taken over depth indicated, for salinity analysis.		
Field Tests	N = 17 4, 7, 10	Standard Penetration Test (SPT) performed between depths indicated by lines. Individual figures show blows per 150mm penetration. 'Refusal' refers to apparent hammer refusal within the corresponding 150mm depth increment.		
	N <sub>c</sub> =	5	Solid Cone Penetration Test (SCPT) performed between depths indicated by lines. Individual figures show blows per 150mm penetration for 60° solid cone driven by SPT hammer. 'R' refers to apparent hammer refusal within the corresponding 150mm depth increment.	
		7		
		3R		
	VNS = 25 PID = 100	Vane shear reading in kPa of undrained shear strength. Photoionisation detector reading in ppm (soil sample headspace test).		
Moisture Condition (Fine Grained Soils)	w > PL	Moisture content estimated to be greater than plastic limit.		
	w ≈ PL	Moisture content estimated to be approximately equal to plastic limit.		
	w < PL	Moisture content estimated to be less than plastic limit.		
	w ≈ LL	Moisture content estimated to be near liquid limit.		
	w > LL	Moisture content estimated to be wet of liquid limit.		
	(Coarse Grained Soils)	D	DRY – runs freely through fingers.	
		M	MOIST – does not run freely but no free water visible on soil surface.	
W		WET – free water visible on soil surface.		
Strength (Consistency) Cohesive Soils	VS	VERY SOFT – unconfined compressive strength ≤ 25kPa.		
	S	SOFT – unconfined compressive strength > 25kPa and ≤ 50kPa.		
	F	FIRM – unconfined compressive strength > 50kPa and ≤ 100kPa.		
	St	STIFF – unconfined compressive strength > 100kPa and ≤ 200kPa.		
	VSt	VERY STIFF – unconfined compressive strength > 200kPa and ≤ 400kPa.		
	Hd	HARD – unconfined compressive strength > 400kPa.		
	Fr	FRIABLE – strength not attainable, soil crumbles.		
	( )	Bracketed symbol indicates estimated consistency based on tactile examination or other assessment.		
Density Index/ Relative Density (Cohesionless Soils)		<b>Density Index (I<sub>d</sub>) Range (%)</b>	<b>SPT 'N' Value Range (Blows/300mm)</b>	
	VL	VERY LOOSE	≤ 15	0 – 4
	L	LOOSE	> 15 and ≤ 35	4 – 10
	MD	MEDIUM DENSE	> 35 and ≤ 65	10 – 30
	D	DENSE	> 65 and ≤ 85	30 – 50
	VD	VERY DENSE	> 85	> 50
	( )	Bracketed symbol indicates estimated density based on ease of drilling or other assessment.		
Hand Penetrometer Readings	300 250	Measures reading in kPa of unconfined compressive strength. Numbers indicate individual test results on representative undisturbed material unless noted otherwise.		



## Log Symbols continued

Log Column	Symbol	Definition
Remarks	'V' bit 'TC' bit <b>T</b> <sub>60</sub> Soil Origin	Hardened steel 'V' shaped bit. Twin pronged tungsten carbide bit. Penetration of auger string in mm under static load of rig applied by drill head hydraulics without rotation of augers. The geological origin of the soil can generally be described as: RESIDUAL – soil formed directly from insitu weathering of the underlying rock. No visible structure or fabric of the parent rock. EXTREMELY WEATHERED – soil formed directly from insitu weathering of the underlying rock. Material is of soil strength but retains the structure and/or fabric of the parent rock. ALLUVIAL – soil deposited by creeks and rivers. ESTUARINE – soil deposited in coastal estuaries, including sediments caused by inflowing creeks and rivers, and tidal currents. MARINE – soil deposited in a marine environment. AEOLIAN – soil carried and deposited by wind. COLLUVIAL – soil and rock debris transported downslope by gravity, with or without the assistance of flowing water. Colluvium is usually a thick deposit formed from a landslide. The description 'slopewash' is used for thinner surficial deposits. LITTORAL – beach deposited soil.



## Classification of Material Weathering

Term		Abbreviation		Definition
Residual Soil		RS		Material is weathered to such an extent that it has soil properties. Mass structure and material texture and fabric of original rock are no longer visible, but the soil has not been significantly transported.
Extremely Weathered		XW		Material is weathered to such an extent that it has soil properties. Mass structure and material texture and fabric of original rock are still visible.
Highly Weathered	Distinctly Weathered (Note 1)	HW	DW	The whole of the rock material is discoloured, usually by iron staining or bleaching to the extent that the colour of the original rock is not recognisable. Rock strength is significantly changed by weathering. Some primary minerals have weathered to clay minerals. Porosity may be increased by leaching, or may be decreased due to deposition of weathering products in pores.
Moderately Weathered		MW		The whole of the rock material is discoloured, usually by iron staining or bleaching to the extent that the colour of the original rock is not recognisable, but shows little or no change of strength from fresh rock.
Slightly Weathered		SW		Rock is partially discoloured with staining or bleaching along joints but shows little or no change of strength from fresh rock.
Fresh		FR		Rock shows no sign of decomposition of individual minerals or colour changes.

**NOTE 1:** The term 'Distinctly Weathered' is used where it is not practicable to distinguish between 'Highly Weathered' and 'Moderately Weathered' rock. 'Distinctly Weathered' is defined as follows: *'Rock strength usually changed by weathering. The rock may be highly discoloured, usually by iron staining. Porosity may be increased by leaching, or may be decreased due to deposition of weathering products in pores'*. There is some change in rock strength.

## Rock Material Strength Classification

Term	Abbreviation	Uniaxial Compressive Strength (MPa)	Guide to Strength	
			Point Load Strength Index $IS_{(50)}$ (MPa)	Field Assessment
Very Low Strength	VL	0.6 to 2	0.03 to 0.1	Material crumbles under firm blows with sharp end of pick; can be peeled with knife; too hard to cut a triaxial sample by hand. Pieces up to 30mm thick can be broken by finger pressure.
Low Strength	L	2 to 6	0.1 to 0.3	Easily scored with a knife; indentations 1mm to 3mm show in the specimen with firm blows of the pick point; has dull sound under hammer. A piece of core 150mm long by 50mm diameter may be broken by hand. Sharp edges of core may be friable and break during handling.
Medium Strength	M	6 to 20	0.3 to 1	Scored with a knife; a piece of core 150mm long by 50mm diameter can be broken by hand with difficulty.
High Strength	H	20 to 60	1 to 3	A piece of core 150mm long by 50mm diameter cannot be broken by hand but can be broken by a pick with a single firm blow; rock rings under hammer.
Very High Strength	VH	60 to 200	3 to 10	Hand specimen breaks with pick after more than one blow; rock rings under hammer.
Extremely High Strength	EH	> 200	> 10	Specimen requires many blows with geological pick to break through intact material; rock rings under hammer.





## Abbreviations Used in Defect Description

Cored Borehole Log Column	Symbol Abbreviation	Description
Point Load Strength Index	• 0.6	Axial point load strength index test result (MPa)
	x 0.6	Diametral point load strength index test result (MPa)
Defect Details – Type	Be	Parting – bedding or cleavage
	CS	Clay seam
	Cr	Crushed/sheared seam or zone
	J	Joint
	Jh	Healed joint
	Ji	Incipient joint
	XWS	Extremely weathered seam
	Degrees	Defect orientation is measured relative to normal to the core axis (ie. relative to the horizontal for a vertical borehole)
	P	Planar
	C	Curved
	Un	Undulating
	St	Stepped
	Ir	Irregular
	Vr	Very rough
	R	Rough
	S	Smooth
	Po	Polished
	Sl	Slickensided
	Ca	Calcite
	Cb	Carbonaceous
	Clay	Clay
	Fe	Iron
	Qz	Quartz
	Py	Pyrite
	Cn	Clean
	Sn	Stained – no visible coating, surface is discoloured
	Vn	Veneer – visible, too thin to measure, may be patchy
	Ct	Coating ≤ 1mm thick
	Filled	Coating > 1mm thick
	mm.t	Defect thickness measured in millimetres